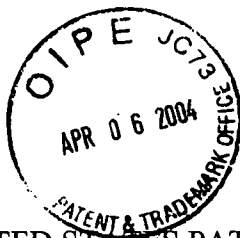


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PATENT APPLICATION

## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:

SATOSHI NISHIKAWA ET AL.

Application No.: 10/735,839

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Examiner: N. Y. A.

Group Art Unit: N.Y.A.

April 5, 2004

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Sir:

In compliance with the duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. § 1.56 and in accordance with the practice under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.97 and 1.98, the Examiner's attention is also directed to the following U.S. application:

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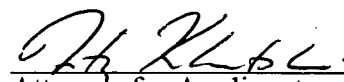
A copy of the cited application, as originally filed, is enclosed.

It is respectfully requested that the above information be considered by the Examiner.

ALL REFERENCES CONSIDERED EXCEPT WHERE LINED THROUGH. /SE/

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